

PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS

LOCATION: Portland
MONDAY, January 7, 2013
11:00 A.M.

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Attendance:

Members Present

Chairman Ross Andrew
Commissioner David Darling (SFD)
Commissioner Tom Serra (MFD)
Commissioner Susan Bransfield (PFD)

Members Absent

Staff Present

Joe Kronenberger – Deputy Director of Central Communications
Captain Gary Wallace– MPD
Chief Gary Ouellette – MFD
Deputy Chief Robert Kronenberger – MFD
Acting Chief Steve Krol – SFD
Captain Michael Howley – SFD
Lt. Ron Milardo -PPD
Pamela Balisciano – Recording Secretary
Lori Ruffino

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Ross Andrew called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Chairman Andrew motioned for approval of minutes from December 3, 2012. Commissioner Bransfield moved the motion and Commission Darling seconded it.

PUBLIC HEARING

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

MONTHLY REPORT

Joe Kronenberger gave the monthly report:

- ★ Monthly Call Statistics sheets were handed out
- ★ Reverse 911 in response to Super Storm Sandy – all consistent with criteria
- ★ Call statistics – Police Department had couple thousand extra calls & Fire department down. Yearly stats – call volume down
- ★ EMD's for November 2012 just under 97% - 96.95% for fiscal year
- ★ Staffing level down 2 – 1 training and 1 permanent dispatcher - background check rejected on applicant - Going to post outside & interviews to be conducted. A discussion ensued regarding keeping applicant's lists updated.
- ★ Narrow Banding Project – waiting for install starting with Public Works & Water Department – then police & fire.
- ★ Newtown police requested assistance and we accommodated with assistance of overflow of calls 12/23-12/24.
- ★ Portland side – alarms division Middletown coordinating with Portland IT.

OLD BUSINESS

City hall fire system is not operational as of yet – meeting upcoming

NEW BUSINESS

CAD system working fine

Safety at buildings – computers/telephones/PA systems all phone systems to be upgraded within six months

Security at Town Hall was discussed – possible install of plexi-glass in tax collector's office, panic buttons in Mayor's office, etc.,

There will be one main building entrance by council chamber. All offices of building will be accessed by using security cards to be issued to each employee with a permanent greeter in lobby area with monitors.

School security in light of recent tragedy - recommendations to be made to Board of Education.

Discussion regarding a possible pull alarm to be installed in Moody School in the Administrator's office. To be brought forward at a future meeting. Suggestion made schools should have same computer security setup as Town hall. Captain Wallace stated that the presence of law enforcement in school system assures community and builds rapport especially at elementary level. Captain Wallace also stated his belief is in intervention and identifying problem children at elementary level. Middletown to get three more officers in April, probably funded for three more in July, and probably three more next April. Officers still patrolling all schools.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Andrew motioned for adjournment. Commissioner Darling moved the motion. The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Ruffino

Recording Secretary

Next meeting to be held on February 4, 2013 in Middletown